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Dr. T. G. Paine
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Washington, D. C. 20546

Dear Dr. Paine:

I sincerely regret that my schedule precludes acceptance of your intriguing invitation to witness the 11 October manned Apollo launch.

Carl Duckett tells me he has already accepted his invitation. I am pleased to turn mine over to Dave Brandwein with whom I gather you are personally acquainted as our man in charge of foreign missile and space events.

With best wishes for a successful launch.

Sincerely,

[Redacted Signature]

Richard Helms

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